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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed mailed September 21, 2006, Applicants request consideration and entry of the following amendments and remarks. A request for an extension of time of three months for responding to the Office Action is made herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 4 of this paper.